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Regulatory Division SPK-2008-00861

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U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Attn: Ms. Michelle Banonis 801 "I" Street, Suite 140 Sacramento, California 95814-2536

Dear Ms. Banonis:

This letter is in response to the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report/Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (RDEIR/SDEIS) dated July 2015 for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP)/California WaterFix. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has regulatory jurisdiction over portions of the BDCP under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S. Code 1344) and Sections 10 and 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S. Code 403 and 33 U.S. Code 408, respectively).

Enclosed is a table of the Corps' comments on the RDEIR/SDEIS. The comments only pertain to the RDEIR/SDEIS. In addition to addressing these comments in the Final EIS, we look forward to your responses to our comments on the Draft EIS/EIR dated December 2013. As a cooperating agency, we are committed to continuing to work with you as you complete the NEPA process and will consider all comments before determining whether the Corps can adopt all or portions of the EIS.

As acknowledged in the RDEIR/SDEIS, there is a significant amount of additional engineering analysis required as part of our review under 33 USC 408. We anticipate there will be a need for a supplemental NEPA document(s) once the additional engineering analysis, specifically hydraulic modeling, is developed. We look forward to receiving a written request for review under 33 USC 408 from the California Department of Water Resources to continue our review of the proposed action.

This office requests its comments for both the Draft EIS/EIR and RDEIR/SDEIS be included and addressed in the Final EIS/EIR. In addition, before the Final EIS/EIR is released, we request a formal letter from the US Bureau of Reclamation responding specifically to the comments and how they are/will be addressed in the Final EIS.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and others on the BDCP/California WaterFix. Please refer to identification number SPK-2008-00861 in any correspondence concerning this project. If you have any questions, including

clarification of any of the comments, please contact Mr. Zachary Simmons by email at *Zachary.M.Simmons@usace.army.mil* or by telephone at 916-557-6746 or Mrs. Meegan Nagy by email at *Meegan.G.Nagy@usace.army.mil* or by telephone at 916-557-7257.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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